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Liberty Township Resident Graduates from National Court Management Program

Heather L. Cady among 40 court employees from around the state to receive special certification

COLUMBUS – Liberty Township resident Heather L. Cady was among 40 court administrators, clerks, chief probation officers and program managers from courts throughout Ohio to receive the Certified Court Manager credential from the Court Management Program (CMP).

Heather Cady is employed as a Court Administrator / Magistrate at Butler County Probate Court. The program was developed by the Institute for Court Management, the educational arm of the National Center for State Courts.

The graduation ceremony Aug. 23 recognized the 11th class of Ohio students to graduate from Level I of the national program – the only program of its kind in the United States. CMP is intended for court leaders interested in strengthening their management knowledge, skills and abilities. The program requires a three-year commitment and provides education in key areas of court administration. Completion provides graduates with a certified court manager credential.

Justice Judith L. French addressed the graduates, noting innovations in Ohio local courts and the role that court leaders play in these changes.

"The justice system is changing and improving and becoming more efficient," Justice French said. "Your participation in this program shows a willingness to continue those improvements, and I thank you for that."

"Your participation also shows a willingness to improve yourself—to improve your own skills, and develop your own expertise, to make you a better manager, to make you a better public servant," Justice French said.

The graduation ceremony followed a seminar entitled "Workforce Management," which provided students with tools to acquire and maintain a productive workforce.

Completing Level I of the Court Management Program consists of six 2 ½ day modules relating to the duties central to the administration of courts, such as case flow management and managing court financial resources. Participants were required to attend two courses each year for three years.

The National Center for State Courts, founded in 1971, is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the administration of justice by providing leadership, research, technology, education, service and training to the state courts.

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